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BRISBANE YOUTHS COMMIT BURGLARY

Several robberies occurred in Brisbane last week-end, notably at the Tract Office and the Library.

A valuable adding machine and other articles were stolen, and on discovering this Saturday morning Mr. Annis reported the matter to the Sheriff's office in Redwood City.

The Sun located the missing property, and at that time the suspicion of the parents was confirmed and the parents of the youths extended every courtesy and assistance to those trying to straighten the matter out.

Many articles of little value to anyone except the owners were destroyed, secreted and scattered, and endless labor was caused by the useless carrying away of the Library records.

Besides the two youths involved in the burglaries, a number of other boys in the tract have been making a practice of "lifting" library books here and at South City, many of which have been recovered.

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YOUR DUTY TO YOURSELF—VOTE!

Polling Place, Tent at Entrance to Tract — Only Votes Marked by Rubber Stamp Will Be Counted — San Mateo County Will Not Build Your Utilities Out of General County Funds—It Is Not Even a Gamble—You 'Can't Beat the Game'—We Must Pay for What We Need and Must Have in the Future—Let Brisbane Itself Control Brisbane's Activities and Destinies.

VOTERS—Whether You be FOR or AGAINST—

1st—VOTE. VOTE, VOTE. And bring your friends to vote.

2nd—Don't be fooled as to HOW to vote—

There lies a Politicians' ruse. If you are in favor (and you must be if you live here) of the Public Utility, you vote—AGAINST—do you get it? I'll repeat. IF IN FAVOR of PUBLIC UTILITY—VOTE AGAINST. This is done with no other view in mind than to mislead the Voter.

The men sponsoring this Public Utility are the original pioneers, have been living in Brisbane for 3 years or more, built their homes and intend staying the rest of their lives, therefore building for the future. These men whose characters are of the highest type of citizenship, have no other interests in mind than the upbuilding of Brisbane for the benefit of all; they are not looking for pay jobs nor political jobs. These men have given of their time unstintingly for several years and are still willing to continue, and have gone on record by public promise and you can find it in their minutes. They agree not to pay any salaries to any officer serving on the Board of the Public Utility District.

It has taken these men, good and true, all these years to get to the point now arrived at, which is: Brisbane has a functioning Govern-

ing Body that did take care of a very badly needed improvement, to-wit: the cleaning up of the sewage disposal, until this election which takes place Thursday, Sept. 28th, which tries to UNDO in one day what it has taken 4 years to build. And here's the rub: WITHOUT OFFERING ANYTHING IN ITS PLACE. Nobody would be so foolish in a desert to throw away the water they had just because it looks dirty—until they had some clean water to refill with—another equivalent. The doctor does not kill his patient because it happens to be sick or because he does not know the malady. Hence: Let's not tear down the work of four years, without something better to take its place. And when you have knocked this tear-down movement into a cocked hat, let everybody attend the Public Utility District Meetings and get your say in and help these good and true men to run things to suit everybody who is looking for the best interests of Brisbane.

If you want Brisbane to keep going ahead as it has done for the past 4 years, go to the Polls Thursday and bring all your friends.

REMEMBER, if in favor of Progress and the continuation of the good work accomplished so far VOTE by placing an X ON THE LINE AGAINST DISINCORPORATION.

For instance:
Against Disincorporation | X

If you allow an active minority to vote out your Utility Dist., remember, Brisbane soil is not adapted to Septic Tanks or Cesspools. If you have outside toilets, What about your bath and sink water? In other words, the protection, maintenance and upbuilding of our sewer system is up to the People of Brisbane—who can function only through a legally constituted body—we have it—it is paid for—LET'S KEEP IT! "Remember the Flies!"

NEWS FLASHES

By DAVE SKOOTSKY

Here is the latest news,
Just in the nick of time;
If you don't care for prose,
We'll say it to you in rhyme.
Hitler has a heart of steel,
He arose from the sticks;
Some day his castles will fall,
Just like a ton of bricks.
Some say Lamson killed his wife,
Of course we do not know—
But if he should be guilty,
The State will lay him low.
There is trouble down in Cuba—
It really is very sad;
But if they get Uncle Sam's goat,
Then it will be just too bad.
Mozzetti went a-hunting,
Some antelope to find—
You should have seen him running,
With a bear behind!
Sleeping sickness is spreading,
Throughout an Eastern state;
It keeps the doctors busy,
Business, they say, is great.
Our country is building warships,
To protect you and me;
While Japan is busy watching,
From across the sea.
If you know a chiseler,
That you want to send a-flyin',
Just go to your telephone,
And call up "Bunk" O'Brien.
In Germany they have a system,
For those who avoid the tax;
Your head is placed upon a block,
And down comes the good old ax.
There is but one thing more,
That we would like to say—
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THE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

To the Public of Brisbane:

In a bulletin being circulated in the Public Utility District, it says: "Think Twice Before Voting." I would go one better and say "Think three times before voting."

Question No. 1. Do you think you could afford the expense of taxes and assessments to install improvements such as sewers, lights, water, fire and Police protection, etc.?

No, I do not. And the board of directors of the Brisbane Public Utility District is the only thing that stands in the way of the county or state stepping in and installing these things and we would have nothing to say in the matter. As matters now stand we control this in the district and the community. We cannot raise money except by ordinances which may be blocked by a petition from the voters. And matters such as these will not be taken up except on petition of the property owners of said district, or in case such as the outfall sewer, when the state steps in and says such things are a necessity to the health and welfare of the people as a whole.

Question No. 2. Do you want to have your property bonded for these improvements?

No, we do not. And again the P. U. D. stands between you and the county levying a tax for all improvements in this district. It would be the height of folly to think the people of Half Moon Bay or Redwood City are going to put in our improvements here. And as far as them doing it cheaper than we could is illustrated in the case of survey for the outfall sewer. We are indebted to the county for something like \$600 and a private firm offer to do the same thing for \$350. So you see the county is higher. I was not on the board when this decision was made, so don't blame me.

Some people are still worrying about the \$750 in this year's budget. Well, the County Engineer's Office gets most of that, so we have only a very small sum to

pay those high salaries we are supposed to get and the home owners will not pay any more than the lot owners as the levy is on land value only.

True, the people are not in a position to pay large assessments, so the board is taking this into consideration when they made the budget. We did not have any SMALL CHANGE?—approximately \$75.00 that Jack Wheeler wished us to spend for tools to be used in the tract. He was sincere in asking the board for these and we would, as a board, have been glad to grant his request if we had had the money available.

Now we have the district paid for, and the men conducting the affairs of the District seem to have the best interest of the district at heart, so why dispose of it? Keep it as you would your car so when you do want it you have it.

There are many things I would like to see a petition on, and one of them is a transportation route to the car line. If the people want it we can have it, or try to get it. And I am in favor of trying to get it. But until the people want something of the kind we are not going to spend the people's money for something they don't want.

So I say, "Be Wise, but don't try to be smart, retain your Public Utility District and make use of it" because if you don't use it, it is useless. Get behind your Commissioners, whoever they are, and see that they are of use to the Community.

Respectfully,

FRED COFFIN,
Utility Commissioner.

COME OUT AND VOTE!

On Sept. 28th, you are asked to vote on an issue that is important enough to call a special election, but which is not important enough to be held at the regular election places. (voting).

Do not be misled by the propaganda that is being circulated about forming a Public Utility District, for that was formed in 1931.

You are asked to vote on the proposition of whether you want to

retain it or discard it. Retain your district for your own protection.

Think over this matter very seriously before you vote. Do you want to keep this power in your hands, or do you want to give all of this power to outside people who will not ask you what you want?

The election is to be volunteer work, but is it? They are appointed and instructed by the county clerk, so use your own judgment.

Why is it that if the Public Utility District is so bad for the community why would Mr. Wheeler ask the directors to spend your tax money for tools to be used on the streets and other places, which he claims that the directors have no control over, and set a date a few days before election day for them to be bought?

Come out to the meeting at the SOCIAL HALL, at 8 p.m., TUESDAY, September 26th, and hear more.

RAY E. GRIGSBY,
Clerk.

Taxpayers and Property Owners of Brisbane:

Stop, consider and think, what you are doing when you cast your vote on Election Day, September 28th, 1933:

Do you want the town of Brisbane to go backwards instead of forward?

Do you want \$750 of the taxpayers' money to be wasted by dissolving the Public Utility District?

Do you want to return \$1850 to the real-estate firm and Mr. Annis—that money that they paid in to the Public Utility District as their portion of taxes for the construction of the sewer outlet into the Bay?

Do you want the town of Brisbane to be at the mercy of all other towns and politicians of this county?

If you vote to dissolve the Public Utility District, what form of government will you have? They don't tell you. A sixth class city is too expensive a form of government for this small town, as this form of government requires:

A Clerk. (He must be paid)

A Treasurer. (He must be paid)

A Chief of Police. (He must be paid)

A Judge. (He must be paid).

And such other Subordinate Officers as the Councilmen see fit and hereinafter provide for.

Do you want to assume all those burdens and that form of government in these hard times?

The other form of government is a Sanitary District. As Act No. 3349, amended 1919, in the General Laws of California, provides for the same thing as the Public Utility District, only less power to the Sanitary Board Officers, of five

members and a Sanitary Assessor.

Why go through this expense and spend the taxpayers' money, just to please a few politicians who are ignorant of the laws and how they spend the people's money in Brisbane.

This same few politicians have stopped the construction of the sewer outlet at the cost of \$750 to the taxpayers; that was paid out for the preliminary work by the Public Utility Board. At every turn and act of the board of the Public Utility District the same few politicians have stopped and ignored the offices of the Directors and tried to run things themselves. If the people do not like the present board of directors, then elect a board that you do like and will and know how to, perform their duties.

But by all means, vote No against dissolving the district, and something that has cost you \$750. It would be like throwing money into the Bay and walking around in a circle.

You have to have some form of government. If you have no government you must run down to Redwood City and see the Board of Supervisors for what the town needs, and then it will be charged to you, the taxpayers. The Board of Supervisors can pave the streets and do anything that they wish, and charge the cost to the taxpayers, and you can not say much about it, as it is in their power.

Vote NO Against Dissolution, and retain a "home government." Protect your home from high taxes. The taxes will be very low this year under the Public Utility. The last year's taxes are only for one year to save the taxpayers large interest on bonds that would be required to put the outlet into the Bay. San Francisco has lowered their tax rate by taking the profits from their water public utility, and applied the money to the payment of the expenses of the city government. Why cannot Brisbane do the same thing, instead of letting private interests put the profits into their pockets?

Wake up, Mr. Taxpayer. Vote NO—Put your X stamp against dissolution. Don't listen to the propaganda of political self-aggrandizement, and the willful spending of the taxpayers' money for nothing—just to have an election and display their political power.

The State of California has allotted San Mateo County \$629,654 for Elementary Schools, and \$334,826 for High Schools—Why don't these same efficient politicians of the Voters' League and our School Trustee, Mr. Wheeler, get some of that money and get a school build-

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Our Roamin' Reporter

The Alma Market sells Ice.

Sunday, September 10th, 1933, 4-months-old Raymond-Jabes Box, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Box of Eldorado street, Brisbane, was baptised at the Grace Cathedral, San Francisco, by Dean Gresham. Sponsors: Mrs. Ida Geissler, Wayne Morefield, Albert Tiegal.

At the Social Hall, Friday, Sept. 15th, in all of its gaiety, color schemes of pink and green, the Friday Afternoon Bridge Club was elaborately entertained by acting hostess, Mrs. Jack Kinney.

Mr. and Mrs. Camilleri of the Brisbane Pool Hall are preparing to hang up a cup for a series of contests in straight pool. Ask them about their plans.

After a year's absence from Brisbane, Mrs. M. Lewis of Pasadena is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. Mahaffie, and family, on Kings Road.

Mr. Gull says the Alma Market has added Barbecued Meat to their line of choice eatables.

A grass fire near the Bonedool plant on Wednesday afternoon was extinguished by Bay Shore Fire Department trucks. Chief Wilson and Asst. Chief Boehm's forces were augmented by Messrs. Prestidge and Early, ex-firemen of Bay Shore, and Chief Schmidt, Captain Richards and Fred Coffin of the Brisbane Department.

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P-T. A. ACTIVITIES

—To cultivate within ourselves and in our groups the highest ethical ideals.

—To teach that these ideals do not depend upon human opinion simply, but are grounded in the purpose and will of God.

The Brisbane P.T.A. will give a Bridge and Whist on Friday, September 29th, in the Social Club Hall. Luncheon will be served from 12 to 1. Everybody welcome. Come to lunch and stay for cards.

Through the efforts of the P.T.A. and School Trustee Jack Wheeler, and the hearty support of the County Superintendent of Schools, the crowded condition of the Brisbane School has been temporarily relieved, by the addition of another classroom and teacher. The workers were fortunate to find a large, well ventilated room in the home of Mr. Peterson, on Santa Clara avenue, near the school. Twenty desks were installed and blackboards and other fittings are in the making. Our new teacher, Miss Ernestine Storti, is a graduate of the State Teachers' College of San Jose.

To accommodate the school children, the Brisbane Drug Store is now opening every morning at 7:30. Buy your Supplies in Brisbane.

wants you to drop in and look over his newly installed Meat Dept.

The 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schmidt of Mono street, is confined to San Francisco Hospital for possibly a week or two, as a result of falling from a tree near his home. A bad scalp wound requires observation as well as treatment. Mr. Roeder and Mrs. Breese assisted the mother in giving first aid.

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PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT (Concluded from Page One)

ing in Brisbane, which is so badly needed?

So stop and think when you vote on next Thursday, September 28th, and KEEP HOME GOVERNMENT and LOW TAXES where you can control them yourself?

PUT AN X AGAINST DISSOLUTION. Statistics show that water public utility companies are the best form of investment — try to get the Brisbane companies to give them to you — if the water pipes are not good and don't pay. (Signed).

The County Auditor and the District Attorney are authority for the statement that Brisbane needs properly coming under jurisdiction of a district of our own will not be paid out of the county general funds.

TERRAPLANING

Residents on the Brisbane hillsides were given a long-distance thrill of apprehension on the morning of Friday, September 8th, when they looked down and saw a white horse careening down the roadway, and dragging the buggy which was finally overturned. Kenneth Halladay and Harry Smith emerged from the wreckage two very frightened but otherwise uninjured boys. In delivering the Sun and the San Francisco papers, one thrill had worn loose, and flopped against the flank of the flying Pegasus, resulting in a runaway for several blocks. With pedestrians side-stepping in the most approved modern jazz figures, Hollywood should be invited up to re-enact this stirring scene.

MOONSHINE

You will get all your money back including the survey costs of \$600 due the county — if you dissolve the district.

The Directors CAN vote themselves a big salary — look out — they might go crazy!

The Directors first thing you know will appoint an expensive "Manager" — at several thousand a year — anyway, they CAN.

We are going to build Netzer's light plant next month — if you don't vote out the Utilities.

That's all right, boys — the County will take care of you — through petitions from a "civic" organization.

The County will take care of —

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Well, anyway — we don't know much about that.

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SPORTS SLANTS

By WAYNE MOREFIELD
Olympic Club Long Distance
Runner

Ted Wiget, Stanford boy, won the Chronicle Golden Gate Swim last Sunday. It was the second consecutive victory in this event for Wiget, and the fourth time Buster Olds has finished second. Erwin Bauer was third, and had hitch-hiked from San Diego to enter. Ralph Gilman, fourth place winner, and the first Olympic Club swimmer to finish. Nine out of the first 20 to finish were Club boys.

Jack Sharkey is, or ought to be, out of the picture. When King Levinsky can knock down the Boston heavyweight and win a 10-round decision, following the defeat of Sharkey at the hands of Primo Carnera, then it is the proper time for Jack to pack up his boxing togs and retire from the ring for all time. From all we hear, Sharkey has saved some 'do-ra-mo', and will not have to be a ham and egg fighter to live. Sharkey is now rated as 5th in the heavyweight division, Levinsky fourth. World champions in other classes as recognized by the N. B. A. are as follows: Flyweight, Jackie Brown; bantamweight, Panama Brown; featherweight, Freddie Miller; lightweight, Barney Ross; welterweight, Jimmy McLarnin; middleweight, Lou Broillard; light-heavyweight, Maxie Rosenbloom; heavyweight, Primo Carnera. In the heavyweight division, Max Baer is rated second, and Max Schmeling third by the N.B.A. If I am not mistaken, the N. B. A. was asleep when they picked Black Bill for 5th place in the Flyweight division. Black Bill died some time ago in New York from self-inflicted wounds.

Professor William Wagner, his wife Georgette, and their son Bill Jr. dropped in to see us last Sunday. Wagner, a member of the Olympic Club, won the Deep Sea Race, from Mill Valley to Stanson Beach, in 1930. He has numerous trophies for his prowess in track meets in and around the bay area for the past 15 years. Wagner is complimentary track coach for the Emporium girls. Miss Billy Von Brenen, the only representative of San Francisco on Uncle Sam's Olympic Games team in 1932, was a protege of Prof. Wagner. Not to be outdone by friend husband, Georgette has a fine collection of trophies. She was P. A. A. U. Shot Put champion in 1932. And Bill Jr.—he is only 5 months old—a future athlete to be sure.

BOY SCOUTS

By CHARLES GOSS,
Junior Assistant Scoutmaster

The Scouts and Cubs are now meeting in the garage facing on Mendocino street east of San Bruno, and meeting time has been changed. Scouts meet Saturday morning at 9:30, and the Cubs Friday nights at 7:30. These meetings are open to boy visitors who might be interested in joining.

Plans are being formulated for a Scout Cabin and a Cub Cabin in our parks, and other interesting activities are before the boys for future effort.

The troop committee now consists of the following: Trafford, chairman; Van Kirk, Ramsey, Pergeaux, and Morefield.

Committeeman Pergeaux has resigned as Scoutmaster, and his place has been taken by Mr. Mundy. The boys express deep appreciation to Mr. Pergeaux for his work while acting as Scoutmaster.

Charter applications were filed out last Monday and turned in by Scoutmaster Munday on Wednesday, and the boys are now officially connected with the national organization.

Scoutmaster Munday has an interesting program mapped out for the boys, as has Mr. O. Johnson, who leads the Cubs.

A contest is on between the Cubs and the Scouts in the collection of tinfoil, to end in the middle of October, when prizes will be awarded.

Fire Commissioner Bob Netzer is at St. Francis Hospital suffering from a badly sprained back, incurred at his work on Friday, Sept. 15th. Chief Fred Schmidt was visiting him at the time of his son's accident.

The San Mateo County Firemen's Association "Fire College," has begun its sessions, which are held at Lomita Park every Thursday evening. This educational endeavor was promoted and organized by Lou Boehm of Bay Shore, and the program will be printed in a future issue.

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